Bull Trout Habitat Restoration: Little Salmon River 2001 Completion Report

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Threatened and Endangered Species Report Project E-16-1 Section 6, Endangered Species Act

2001 COMPLETION REPORT

GRANT TITLE: Bull Trout Habitat Restoration: Little Salmon River

GRANT NUMBER: Project E-16

SEGMENT NUMBER: 1

AGREEMENT PERIOD: July 1, 1997 – June 30, 1999 (amended to June 30, 2001)

This project involved riparian and stream channel protection and restoration of the upper Little Salmon River. The Little Salmon River is a water quality limited stream (per Sec. 303(d) of the Clean Water Act). Elevated summer water temperatures, fine sediment, and fecal coliform are the identified pollutants. A combination of livestock exclusion fencing, off-site livestock water development, early season riparian grazing practices, planting native riparian plant species, and instream structures were implemented on private lands. These efforts should have a lasting effect toward restoring year-round habitat and improve water quality for salmonid fishes.

The following table summarizes how the Section 6 federal aid grant and matching State funds were allocated.

Activity	Grant	State
	Funds	Funds
Electric fencing purchased For Breeswood Ranch to exclude cattle	\$500	\$200
from severely eroded streambank on mainstem Little Salmon River;	1	
and purchase of plants to re-vegetate area	<u> </u>	
Collection, overwinter care, and planting of willow shoots in riparian		\$500
zone of mainstem Little Salmon River on Breeswood Ranch;		
involved evaluation of pasture condition, development of grazing		
plan, and training of landowner to care for plantings and continue		
planting on his own.		
Develop off-site livestock watering system on Brown' Industries	\$4,500	\$3,500
ranch adjacent to a Wetland Reserve Program that will exclude		
approximately 250 acres of floodplain and 3 miles of stream from		
livestock grazing for 30 years.		
Cost-share with NRCS to develop an interpretive sign on Hwy 95,		\$250
adjacent to the Brown's Industries' Wetland Restoration Project		
TOTAL	\$5,000	\$4,450

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